FOGGY BOTTOM NEWS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

In assuming the duties of President of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association, a lot of familiarization has been necessary concerning events of the past. Hopefully, this will serve as a basis for future progress of the Association. To date the accomplishments of the Association have been substantial and constructive. Threats of encroachment upon our community have been vigorously opposed and, I feel, with a remarkable degree of success.

To achieve this success has taken effort and time far beyond the realization or appreciation of most of us. Herb Socks served the community ably and well constantly seeking as his objective the greatest good for the majority of our membership with due consideration given minority interests.

This Year's Objective

My objectives are two-fold: (1) to continue the progressive trend now established pressing forward on those issues most vital to the community and (2) to seek active participation of the membership in areas of endeavor deemed worthy and fruitful by the membership. From time to time, I will offer suggestions along this line; however, I expect the majority of such suggestions and the action necessary to implement them to come from the membership as a whole.

Community Values

Foggy Bottom is unique. Certainly, we all appreciate this. But how is it unique? Three main thoughts come to me--our location, our homes, and our people. Without doubt, for a community of its size, Foggy Bottom has a diversity and depth of talent second to none. It is necessary, however, to focus these talents for progress to take place. The Association provides this focus. The officers and committee chairmen form a skeleton organization. Of themselves, they can do little; however, with the membership the organization is no longer only a skeleton. It is vital and dynamic.

Communications Are Essential

To function effectively, the Association must have a ready means of communication. The Foggy Bottom News and the Membership Committee serve as our communications media—one sending, the other receiving. The objective of the sending media, the NEWS, is obvious; however, the objective of the Membership Committee in its receiving role is not as clear—cut.

The Membership Committee is primarily responsible for promoting interest and membership in the Association.

Specific activities include meeting new arrivals to Foggy Bottom, encouraging meeting attendance, and serving as a "communications network" through which members may be polled and notices or petitions circulated as the occasion demands.

The Membership Committee is chaired this year by Miss Elizabeth Harter of 2409 Eye Street. The Association is fortunate indeed to have Liz serving in this responsible capacity. As your President, I solicit your individual cooperation with your Membership Committee Representative. Their selfless endeavors and sense of civic responsibility merit the active support of us all.

The objective of this issue of the Foggy
Bottom News is to communicate something
of an Annual Report of your newly incorporated Association. This report includes

the following:

Association Progress To Date
Incorporation
By-laws
Auditor's Report of the Treasury
Injunction Proceedings on Murray
Property
Committees
Finances
Future Plans

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Future Needs of Association

Proceedings of the Injunction Committee on the Murray property have emphasized the need for the Association to have, among its official records, data pertinent to developments in Foggy Bottom. These data should include, for example:

Property evaluation taken at 5 year intervals.

Newspaper articles and clippings relating to Foggy Bottom.

Photographs of property - before and after restoration.

Through a substantial effort on the part of Ralph Rechel and Mary McGrade, members of the Injunction Committee, data on property evaluation for a portion of Foggy Bottom have been compiled. About one hundred man-hours of their time has gone into developing data for use in the Murray property petition. Much more needs to be done to complete this work. Mary and Ralph accomplished a truly monumental task in record time to meet the petition deadline set by the committee. They deserve our thanks and some assistance from the membership in completing this task.

A few newspaper articles and photographs have been collected. These need to be put into order and preserved in a manner that will keep them intact and available for future use. A volunteer for the Office of Historical Librarian would be most welcome.

As I see it, there are two important tasks to be accomplished in the coming year: (1) pressing proceedings on the Murray property through to a successful conclusion and (2) regularizing and consolidating the functions of the Association to achieve a solid organizational structure suitable for successfully meeting future challenges of increasing magnitude. These challenges certainly will come. The present organization and method of operation has served well during the early growth stages. These times are past. Our community is rapidly

approaching maturity. Our Association must keep pace. Incorporation, while important, is but the first step in this direction. A concert of action must follow else past successes and progress to date will be sacrificed. Either we move forward or progress moves us backward. I'm looking forward as I'm sure you do to a rewarding and successful year of Association progress.

Jim Justice

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The following officers of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association were elected at the June meeting:

President

James O. Justice, Jr. - 2403 I FE 3-5231

Vice-President

Patrick J. Ogden, Jr. - 2536 I FE 3-2536

Secretary Inez Larson - - 2424 I

FE 3-5310

Treasurer

Morella Hansen - - - 2415 I

FE 3-6382

Members of Executive Committee

2525 I Rufus Lisle - - - - -FE 3-3090

Mrs. Lloyd Dutch - - - 2407 I

FE 3-6574

Herbert Socks - - - - 2503 I

FE 3-2134

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Charley Rogers, Editor FE 3-3157 Shirley Kennard, Art Editor OL 2-7305 George MacKinnon, Bus. Mgr. FE 3-2134 John B. Howerton, Asst. Bus. Mgr. FE 319344

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FOGGY BOTTOM RESTORATION ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

In June of this year, the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association became legally incorporated. Vice-President Pat Ogden handled the necessary details.

Following are the Certificate of Incorporation and the By-laws from the Constitution of the Association. The by-laws were approved at the Association meeting held in June.

Incorporation of the Association is advantageous to the membership for many reasons, the most immediate being the Rezoning Petition on the Murray property.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

WE, the undersigned, all citizens of the United States and a majority citizens and residents of the District of Columbia, of full age, desiring to associate ourselves as a corporation pursuant to the provisions of Title 29 of Chapter 6 of the District of Columbia Code (1951), do hereby certify as follows:

FIRST: The name or title by which this corporation shall be known in law shall be the FOGGY BOTTOM RESTORATION ASSOCIATION.

SECOND: The term for which it is organized shall be perpetual.

THIRD: The particular business and objects of said corporation shall be to promote the restoration and rehabilitation of Foggy Bottom and to further the civic, cultural, social and economic welfare of the community.

The corporation shall be authorized to exercise and enjoy all of the powers, rights, and privileges granted to or conferred upon corporations of a similar character by the laws of the District of Columbia now or hereafter in force, and the enumeration of the foregoing powers shall not be deemed to exclude any powers, rights or privileges so granted or conferred.

FOURTH: The number of its trustees, directors or managers for the first year of its existence shall be seven, which number may be increased pursuant to the by-laws of the corporation.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have this 19th day of June, 1959, hereunto set our hands and seals.

(SEAL)

Herbert Socks 2503 Eye Street, Northwest

(SEAL)

Patrick J. Ogden, Jr. 1145 Nineteenth Street, N. W.

(SEAL)

D. Robert Cervera 1145 Nineteenth Street, N. W.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ss:

I, Linda K. Stores, a Notary Public in and for the District of Columbia, do hereby certify that Herbert Socks, Patrick J. Ogden, Jr., and D. Robert Cervera, Parties to a certain Certificate of Incorporation, bearing date on the 19 th day of June, 1959, and hereby annexed, personally appeared before me in the said District, the said Herbert Socks, Patrick J. Ogden, Jr., and D. Robert Cervera being personally well known to me to be the persons who executed the said Certificate of Incorporation, and severally acknowledged the same to be their act and deed.

Linda K. Stores
Notary Public

FOGGY BOTTOM RESTORATION ASSOCIATION

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

Name

1. The name of this association is the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association, incorporated pursuant to the provisions of Title 29, Chapter 6 of the District of Columbia Code (1951 edition) on the 19th day of June 1959.

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ARTICLE II

Objects

1. The objects of the association will be to promote the restoration and rehabilitation of Foggy Bottom and to further the civic, cultural, social, and economic welfare of the community.

ARTICLE III

Area

1. The area to be covered and encompassed by the activities of this association shall be the area between 23rd Street and Potomac Parkway and between Pennsylvania Avenue and Virginia Avenue all in Northwest Washington, District of Columbia.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

1. Any person residing or owning property in the area defined in Article III above who subscribes to the objectives of the association is eligible for membership.

ARTICLE V

Dues

1. The annual dues for each member of this association shall be \$5.00 per annum except that dues for any person renting or leasing a residence in the area shall be \$3.00 per annum. Dues shall be payable in advance on the first day of July in each year. Dues of a new member shall be prorated from the first day of the month in which such member is elected to membership, for the remainder of the fiscal year of the corporation.

ARTICLE VI

Fiscal Year

1. The fiscal year of this corporation shall commence on the first day of July and end on the thirtieth day of June.

ARTICLE VII

Membership meetings

- 1. There shall be at least two regular meetings each year and such other meetings as the executive board shall from time to time determine. In addition there shall be an annual meeting to be held in June of each year for the purpose of electing members of the executive board and conducting such other business as may be appropriate.
- 2. Special meetings shall be called by the president whenever he shall deem it necessary or whenever he shall be called upon to do so by the executive board. A quorum at all meetings shall consist of at least 25 members in good standing.

ARTICLE VIII

Executive Board

- 1. The affairs of this corporation shall be managed by an executive board of seven members consisting of a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and three elected directors.
- 2. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the association and shall have the duty of supervising all of its functions subject to the orders of the executive board.
- 3. The vice president shall perform the duties of the president in the absence of the president.
- 4. The secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the association, issue notices and keep minutes of all meetings.
- 5. The treasurer shall collect all membership dues and have the care and custody of the funds of the association.
- 6. The members of the executive board shall be elected by secret ballot and



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majority vote at the annual membership meeting in June of each year. They shall take office on July 1 and shall serve for the ensuing year or until their successors have been elected and qualified. The executive board shall hold such meetings as it shall from time to time deem necessary. Should any vagancy occur on the executive board the remaining members shall fill the vacancy without undue delay, such successor member to serve until the next regular election.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the members or at any special meeting of the members at which a quorum is present provided notice of the proposed amendment is given either by mail or at the previous membership meeting and provided that a copy of the proposed amendment has been mailed to each member prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE X

Parliamentary procedure

"Robert's Rules of Order" shall be the parliamentary authority for all matters of procedure not specifically covered by these By-Laws.

> /s/ James O. Justice, Jr. President

/s/ Inez Larson Secretary

June 19, 1959 Date

FBRA HAS AN AUDIT

To get the Association incorporation consolidated in an orderly manner, the treasury of the Association was audited. It was found to be in balance and accurate. Your treasurer for 1959-60 is Miss Morella Hansen who lives at 2415 Eye Street, N. W.

A copy of the auditors report appears below. The Association wishes to express its gratitude and thanks to Miss Mary A. McGrade for her valuable assistance in performing the audit.

OUR TOWN HALL

Few town meetings anywhere have for their meeting place a town hall comparable to that in which the members of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association foregather monthly. For this we are obligated to St. Paul's Church, 2430 K Street and Snows Court. Pillsbury House, which is our meeting place, has entrances on both K Street and Snows Court.

This fine gothic hall is made available to the Association for its use on meeting nights, without cost to our group, as a community activity of St. Paul's parish. The rector, Fr. James Richards, and the curate, Fr. Henry N. F. Minich, as well as the sexton, Lloyd Dutch, all live in Foggy Bottom and are members of the Association. Mrs. Dutch is a member of the Executive Committee of the Association.

FIRST FALL ASSOCIATION MEETING

Monday, 21 September

Pillsbury House Parish Hall

Si 15 pm Convene 2430 K St., N. W. and Snows Court

- Minutes of last meeting
- 2. Committee reports

Services - George MacKinnon Publicity -Charley Rogers

Membership-Liz Harter

-Pat Ogden Injunction

- Treasurer's report
- Old business
- New business
- 6. Adjourn

ARENA STAGE NOTE

Arena Stage has received an official statement from the District Department of Highways and Traffic that the theater will have a COMPLETE October '59--May '60 eight-play season in its current location in Foggy Bottom.

August 10, 1959

Foggy Bottom Restoration Association

Mr. President:

In accordance with your request, I have audited the records of the Treasurer of the Association. I have verified the deposits made in the checking account and examined the vouchers and cancelled checks. As of June 30, 1959, the checkbook was in balance with the Bank statement. I did not request a Bank confirmation invariant as all the records appeared to be accurate. firmation inasmuch as all the records appeared to be accurate.

The Treasurer requested that I set up a simple ledger for her guidance. Accordingly, I have established this ledger and have included a suggested format to be followed.

According to the Bank Statement, the Balance 7/1/59 \$607.37

Collected to date for the Murray Zoning

365.00 \$242,37

Cash not allocated

The Association dues are payable in July and bills should be nt to all residents. I have prepared a statement for mailing. If I can be of further assistance, please call me.

Mary A. McGrade

ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES, 1959 - 60

The Association starts the 1959-60 season with four working committees:

Chairman

Service Publicity Injunction Membership -

George MacKinnon Charley Rogers Pat Ogden Elizabeth Harter

The Service Committee functions in numerous ways to meet the needs of the Association, including improvement of our community safety by requesting erection of stop signs at dangerous intersections, cooperating with the District Police Department in matters of mutual concern, beautifying parkways by requesting that trees be planted, contributing to the Foggy Bottom News. These are some, but not all of the ways our community prospers by the work of our Service Committee.

George MacKinnon has for several years served in workmanlike manner as Chairman of this Committee. George and his committee are recognized by all of us with many thanks for their cheerful devation to the community. It is nice to know George will be heading up this activity again this year in his steady,

dependable manner.

The Publicity Committee is mainly responsible for the Foggy Bottom
News and the Association Directory. Charley Rogers, who as many of you know is a former newspaperman and journalism professor, is Chairman of our Publicity Committee and editor of the News. Charley is a stalwart resident of the Bottom and shoulders the responsibility of getting News out to the community. Contributions to the News are always welcome—you need not feel shy because of lack of writing experience. Some of our best writers are natural cummicators, and writing for the News improved their style.

The Injunction Committee was formed specifically for purposes of dealing with the Rezoning Petition on the Murray Property. Your Vice-President, Pat Ogden, chairs this committee comprised of

Mary McGrade Ralph Rechel Jim Justice At the March meeting, the Association unanimously voted to retain the law firm of which Pat is a partner to represent the Association in appeal proceedings on the Murray Property.

Five months of effort by the law firm and your Injunction Committee resulted in the filing of the appeal for a hearing on the rezoning of the Murray property. This action exhausts administrative appeal procedures available to the Association and is the proper approach to injunction action should it prove necessary. The appeal was filed with the District Commissioners on August 25, with the request for a rehearing. The burden of action now rests with the District.

Compiling statistical data on property evaluation for this project has proven to be a substantial task. These data are of great value since much of the appeal is based upon the startling results revealed by this search.

The petition as prepared is a thorough, well-conceived, convincing document of professional quality. Certainly it reflects creditably upon our Injunction Committee and particularly upon Pat

Ogden and his firm.

The date of the public hearing of this Appeal Petition will be announced to the membership when it becomes known. It will be necessary for members to turn out in force at this hearing in order to properly support the good work accomplished so far and properly represent our community and our interests.

The work of the Membership Committee, chaired by Liz Harter, is covered in the article that follows this announcement.

Recommendations, suggestions and active support of our committees are always welcome.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

Knowing that summer doesn't last forever, and looking forward to an active fall and winter season, Liz Harter has the organization of a new Membership Committee underway. (Cont'd p. 7)

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(Membership Committee--Cont'd from p. 6)

Primary purpose of the Committee will be to promote interest and membership in the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association. This will include meeting new residents as they come into the area and encouraging attendance at Association meetings. In addition, the Committee will function as a means of communication, being used to circulate information, requests, petitions, or so on throughout the Association.

So far the following have been recruited: Elizabeth Harter, Chairman, 2409 Eye St.; Helen Gunderson, 2631 Eye St.; Harriet Gruger, 2530 Eye St.; Carol Harris, 800 New Hampshire Ave.; Mary McGrade, 838 New Hampshire; Betty Lou Miller, 2425 Eye St.; Rosetta Millet, 820 25th St.; Julie Mullens, 833 26th St.; Paul Yockey, 919 27th St.; Charley Rogers, 917 Hughes Mews.

Each of the representatives has been assigned an area--usually the block in which he or she lives--for which he is responsible. Liz Harter still needs two or three additional representatives but she's holding out until she can find men who will volunteer. So far the Committee list looks as though we were discriminating against men, but that is not the case. It's just that many of those asked so far have begged off. But Liz is still trying to round up a few more.

COLLECTION ON INJUNCTION ASSESSMENT PROGRESSING SLOWLY

The petition of the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association to the Zoning Commission protesting a change in zoning which would permit the construction of an eight story apartment house in the 800 block of New Hampshire Avenue was turned down by the District Commissioners.

As a result of this decision, a resolution was formally adopted at the March meeting of the Association to file an injunction in the District Court to prevent this zoning change.

The resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote. This resolution also specified that each property owner would be assessed \$20.00, payable in installments, if necessary, to defray the lawyer's fee and court costs.

This action is now well underway. It is absolutely essential that the members who have not done so make their remittance to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

Checks should be mailed to Miss Morella Hansen, Treasurer, 2415 Eye St., N. W. Washington 7, D. C. Please do not delay. This is a matter of the most urgent importance. Make checks payable to the Foggy Bottom Restoration Association.

PIONEER WOMEN

Two pioneers in the restoration of Foggy Bottom passed away during the summer.

Margaret N. Moynihan of 7 Snows Court died while on vacation at Brant Beach, N. J., July 9. Etta Mai Russell of 808 New Hampshire Avenue died at Casualty Hospital in Washington, August 22.

Margaret, with her mother Mrs. Mary Moynihan, took the third house to be restored in Snows Court and moved into it in February 1953. Although Mary reached her 80th birthday this August 31st, she has decided to remain in the house at Number 7 Snows Court, at least for the time being.

Margaret's work with the Central Intelligence Agency was highly classified, and the nature of it was not known publicly, but it was general knowledge that she was highly accomplished as a linguist. She read Russian, Italian, German, and Spanish. Her major at Wellesley her alma mater, was French, and she had advanced degrees in the language from New York University and the Sarbonne. Margaret's funeral was held in St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, Gladwyne, Pa., the home of her sister.

Etta Mai Russell and her friend and companion for 30 years, Marguerite Griffin, moved into their house at 808 New Hampshire five years ago this September. Marguerite expects to make this her home, alone, at least for the present.

Etta Mai had lived in Washington for 35 years, and until her recent retirement she was Director of the United Church Women, an interdenominational organization of Protestant groups. As she had no close kin, Marguerite arranged for her burial in the Griffin family plot at Greensboro, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. Graveside services were conducted by a minister of the Methodist Church.

FBRA DUES TIME HERE

Attention of Foggy Bottom residents is invited to the references to Association dues in the By-laws and the Auditors' Report that appear elsewhere in this issue. Association dues are payable now to the Treasurer, Miss Morella Hansen, 2415 Eye St., N. W., Washington 7, D. C.

Dues for property owners are \$5.00 for the year. Dues for residents who rent or lease are \$3.00. Your prompt attention in this matter will assure a proper listing in the forthcoming Association directory. Please make checks payable to Foggy Bottom Restoration Association.

GOLD'S - LIQUORS 2501 PA. AVE. AD2-7934 FOR THE NIPPY WEATHER GET A NIP ATGOLDS

The Shiriff Says -

The trees on our streets have suffered thru the dry hot summer -- but they will survive, we hope... The design of the new St. Stephens which appeared in the papers made us glow for Harold Boutin...a lot of folks did not come out to our June meeting and missed the comfort of airconditioning in our meeting hall ... Herbert Socks' letters from Europe and Asia are wonderful reading and our Ed. has plans for them in the next issue ... somebody should come out with a dog directory for the Bottom Harriet Gruger's house will not be empty while she is in Europe, and we will help to keep GW football team from taking over...Nine Twenty Five 25th is a reflection of the Alamac -- same architect... Pat Ogden did not tell the Zoning Appeals Board that we were too clean for the laundry they wanted to put in at 25th and Eye... Marjorie Hendricks is the first one the Bottom to have the Fire Company plaque over her door, and it was not misplaced from next door ... that the new trees on N.H. Ave. certainly look nice...that the District is full of promises on some of our bad sidewalks..that Jean Pulver and Inez Larsen will go all the way to Switzerland to get hitched next month...that Sis Campbell's Wrinkles will not win a ribbon for catching thieves...that the police put up a lot of traffic signs in Hughes Court -- and they work that we hope you call come out to the next meeting and give Jim Justice a hand...that the educated ladies' building is not coming along any faster...that there is a third little Marsenak in the world now

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